

BULLETIN

St Pius X Church

Pentecost Sunday - Year B

19th May 2024



Christ our Anchor

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Finally, the claims that the spirit of the Lord can bring about a new creation. This is reason enough to bless the Lord.

In Gal 5:16-25, Paul insists that Christians must decide between following the desires of the flesh (everything that pertains to physical existence or life in this world) and following those of the spirit (the noble aspects of human life). Paul recognises that choosing the way of the spirit over the way of the flesh is a life-long process. For him, a spiritual life is a life lived in the Spirit of God, and the fruits of such a life are the fruits of the Spirit. Before the coming of Jesus the law pointed the way to righteous living. Now, those guided by the Spirit have no need of the law's directions. Paul exhorts the Galatians to follow this Spirit.

It is only in the Fourth Gospel, John 15:26-27; 16:12-15, that the Holy Spirit is called the Advocate or Paraclete. The Advocate proceeds from the Father. Although the Father is the source from whom the Advocate proceeds, it is Jesus who does the sending. The Advocate then bears witness to Jesus. The basic outlines of Trinitarian theology have been drawn: the Father is the divine source; the Son shares in what the Father has; and the Spirit reveals the mysteries of the Father and the Son. The disciples failed to comprehend much of what Jesus revealed to them. It will be the role of the Spirit of Truth to glorify Jesus and to lead the disciples to ever deeper understanding of and further insight into Jesus' revelation.

The Jewish feast of Weeks, also called Pentecost because it was celebrated seven weeks after Unleavened Bread, was a major pilgrim festival. This explains why devout Jews from every nation were in Jerusalem at this time. The external manifestations that accompanied the outpouring of the Spirit were all phenomena associated with a theophany, an experience of God. They were audible and visible while the actual outpouring of the Spirit was not. However, as those in the room were filled with the Spirit, they began to speak in other languages, a feat that could only have some supernatural origin. The exact nature of this is less significant than is its meaning. It was clearly a manifestation of the universal presence and power of the Spirit.

The psalm depicts God as the creator and sustainer of all life, robed in majesty and glory, wrapped around with radiant light. The splendour that the psalmist beholds is an indication of God's presence. In other words, God is perceived through the glories of creation. The natural world is not only marvellous in its appearance, it is diverse in its manifestations as well. God is also extolled as the one who cares for all living things. The act of creation and power of the creator are perceived in the constant renewal of life that unfolds before our eyes.

Month of May Rosary



Every Friday during the month of May, the Holy Rosary will be recited in the Church at 7.00pm.

Please join us in praying the Rosary.

SPX Safeguarding Officers

The role of Safeguarding Officers is to ensure the safety of children, young people and the vulnerable in the Catholic Church

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11am Chinese Mass

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	Sun 7.30am	J Molony	J Molony
	Sun 9.00am	Sandra McLlheney	Sandra McLlheney
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	Pam Vincent	Mary Overton
	Sun 7.30am	Michelle Cota	Les Price
	Sun 9.00am	Shirley Whitfield	Maria Fernandes
	Counters	Janine Stanley, Nancy Permadi	D & B Molony

St Pius X Church Masses		
May Mon 20	8.00am	Mass (Mary, Mother of the Church)
Tue 21	8.00am	Mass (Week 7 in Ordinary Time)
Wed 22	8.00am	Mass (Week 7 in Ordinary Time)
Thu 23	8.00am	Mass (Week 7 in Ordinary Time)
Fri 24	8.00am	Mass (Our Lady, Help of Christians)
Sat 25	8.00am	Mass (Week 7 in Ordinary Time)
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (The Most Holy Trinity)
Sun 26	7.30am	Mass (The Most Holy Trinity)
	9.00am	Mass (The Most Holy Trinity)
	11.00am	Chinese Mass (The Most Holy Trinity)



2024 Sacraments Schedules

Parents, if your child/children are attending State Schools you need to enrol for the Sacramental programs. Please contact the parish office to obtain an Enrolment Form or visit our website to get one - manningparish.org.au/sacraments - so that we can organise the preparation for them.

Confirmation

Congratulations to all our candidates who were confirmed on Friday, 17 May

First Holy Communion

9am Sunday, 25 August 2024
Parent/Child Workshop 5.30pm
Tuesday 6 August 2024

First Reconciliation

5.00pm Saturday 22 October 2024
Parent/Child Workshop 5.30pm
Tuesday 8 October 2024

If you have not been to Commitment Mass for the Sacraments please see Fr Patrick asap

Line Dancing Classes

Mondays and Wednesdays
 10am - 12noon \$6 per session
 All proceeds go to the Parish
 This is a community building initiative to keep you fit and active with the help of Francis and Hellen Tay
 All are welcome; no age limits

Tai Chi Group

Mondays in Parish Hall except holidays
 Starts 7:30pm and finishes at 8:30pm
 All parishioners are most welcome
 For more information, please contact or text Maurice on 0408 782 224

Farewell to Fr Pat

This weekend Fr Pat is celebrating his final Masses as our Parish Priest.

We thank Fr Pat for his Ministry here at Manning Parish, for his continuous, dedicated service, and for his Pastoral Leadership in our Parish Community over the past 6 years.

We wish him well for the years ahead.

Welcome Fr Anthony Vu

We extend a warm welcome to our new Parish Priest, Fr Anthony Vu, who will be taking over as Parish Priest this week. We wish him well, and offer him our full support during his time here at Manning Parish.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy prayers, Rosary and Benediction every 3rd Sunday of the month at 3.00 pm.

Please join us this Sunday

A REMINDER

Important Notice for Church workers and Volunteers

All Church workers paid and unpaid and all Church volunteers must complete a Personal Declaration Form and attend a Safeguarding Level 1 - Induction.

A face-to-face Safeguarding Level 1 – Induction session will take place for all those Church workers, paid and unpaid and all volunteers who have not yet attended:

Sunday 19 May 2024 10:00am – 11:00am

You are asked to kindly attend this 60-minute session which will guide you through the need to protect the children and vulnerable adults in our Manning Parish Community. Please complete the registration sheet in the Church foyer. The Safeguarding team look forward to seeing you all.

N.B. If you are unable to attend you are requested to complete the Induction either online or at another Parish.

<https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/>

Condolences

Our sincere condolences to Michael Shanahan and family on the death of his brother Patrick on 14 May 2024

With our prayers and love
 May his soul rest in peace

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

(R.) Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

1. Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. (R.)
2. You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)
3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. (R.)

Second Reading

Galatians 5:16-25

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desire.

Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will

not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

Reflection for Young People

By Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Pentecost is called the birthday of the church because before Pentecost, there really was no church. Jesus had ascended back into the heavens, the Apostles were hanging around, scared and confused, and nobody knew what to do. Going out to baptise people and preach about Jesus was the last thing they had in mind because their lives would be in danger.

But Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit – the force that turned a bunch of frightened, mixed-up people into church. There was a rush of wind, tongues of fire, and then suddenly there was courage, knowledge, direction and commitment! Everyone started speaking and was understood, no matter what the language of the listener was! These were saints suddenly on fire with the Holy Spirit. And it all began with the wind and fire of the Spirit.

What changes in you do you wish the Spirit could blow your way? How can you cooperate with the Spirit? In what ways do you need more courage, knowledge, direction or commitment? What else might you need?

In what ways are you and your parish like the disciples before Pentecost? In what ways are you and your parish like the disciples after Pentecost?

When people speak about your school, would they say that it has school spirit? What do they mean by that? How is school spirit like the Holy Spirit?

Next Sunday Readings

The Most Holy Trinity - 26 May 2024

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

A sincere thank you

I would like to thank everyone for their support and kindness for the time that I have been in Manning Parish. Thanks to all the volunteers in different Ministries, tasks and committees in the Parish. It has been humbling to learn that you have accepted me as your parish priest.

I know that you are sad to see me go as I am sad myself to leave behind all that I have done and the friends that I have made.

May God continue to bless and keep you and your families in His love.



Fr Pat's farewell dinner was a roaring success and enjoyed by all.

A Big Thank you to all those who assisted in any way to make Fr Pat's farewell special.